

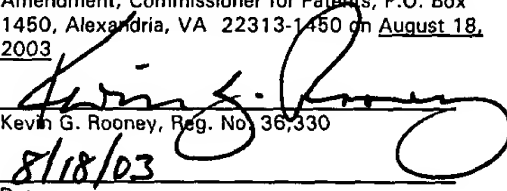


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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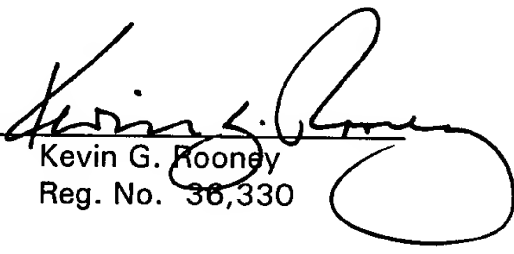
Applicant elects to prosecute the invention of Group I, drawn to claims 1-12. Please cancel claims 13-18 without traverse and without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application.

Applicant does not believe that any fees are due in connection with this response. However, if such petition is due or any fees are necessary, the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to deposit account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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